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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ASEC PFOR CI  
SUBJECT: COMPROMISE OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

REF: A) SANTIAGO 8902, B) STATE 171375, C) SANTIAGO 6642,  
D) SANTIAGO 6077

1. ONE OF THE STANDARD GOC COMPLAINTS IS THAT EMBASSY SANTIAGO IS NOT REPORTING THE FAVORABLE ASPECTS OF "THE CHILEAN REALITY" TO WASHINGTON. IN CONSULTATIONS WITH VARIOUS GOC OFFICIALS, CHILE DESK OFFICER DRISCOLL HAS HEARD THIS ALLEGATION AND COUNTERED IT BY STATING THAT EMBASSY REPORTING HAS BEEN FULL AND ACCURATE.

2. IN DISCUSSING THIS SUBJECT WITH A SENIOR CHILEAN MILITARY OFFICER WHO SERVED IN WASHINGTON DRISCOLL WAS INFORMED THAT THE OFFICER IN QUESTION "KNEW" WHAT EMBASSY SANTIAGO REPORTED. WHEN CHALLENGED, THE OFFICER SAID THAT WHEN IN WASHINGTON US MILITARY OFFICERS AT THE PENTAGON OFTEN SHOWED HIM COPIES OF EMBASSY REPORTS ON THE SITUATION OF CHILE. THE US OFFICERS WERE IRRITATED BECAUSE EMBASSY SANTIAGO APPEARED TO BE REPORTING ON EVERY "STAIN" ON THE CHILEAN POLITICAL FABRIC. THESE US OFFICERS NOT ONLY SHOWED CLASSIFIED STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS TO THE CHILEAN OFFICER, THEY ALSO EXPRESSED DISAGREEMENT AND DISAPPROVAL

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REGARDING EMBASSY REPORTING.

3. COMMENT. THE ABOVE, THOUGH ONLY AN ALLEGATION, RAISES SERIOUS PROBLEMS. THE SOURCE HAS NEVER MISLED US OFFICIALS PREVIOUSLY AND HIS ACCUSATIONS HAVE A CERTAIN RING OF PLAUSIBILITY. IF CERTAIN OFFICERS IN THE PENTAGON DEALING WITH CHILE WERE OR ARE PROCEEDING IN THIS FASHION, IT WOULD EXPLAIN ALL THE PROBLEMS WE HAVE HAD WITH LEAKS AS OUTLINED IN REFTELS--PARTICULAGLY GEN LEIGH'S POSSESSION OF A DRAFT OF AN EMBASSY ASSESSMENT (REF D).

4. THIS CABLE IS STADIS BECAUSE WE FEEL THAT ITS DISTRIBUTION OUTSIDE THE DEPARTMENT MIGHT SEND EVERYONE SCURRYING FOR COVER. ON THE OTHER HAND, DOD ELEMENTS INVESTIGATING THE CASE NEED THE INFORMATION. ON THE BASIS THAT ALL LEADS MUST BE FOLLOWED UP WE WOULD SUGGEST THE DEPARTMENT, AT ITS DISCRETION, INFORM DOD INVESTIGATORY ELEMENTS OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THIS MESSAGE.  
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